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I hereby respectfully petition for an extension within first month

of the above stated patent application according to 37 CFR 1.17a (fee included)

Respectfully submitted

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